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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

STEPHEN CHALLENGER, ET AL.

APPLICATION NO.: 10/696,021

FILING DATE: OCTOBER 28, 2003

TITLE: N-PHENPROPYLCYCLOPENTYL-
SUBSTITUTED GLUTARAMIDE
DERIVATIVES AS INHIBITORS OF
NEUTRAL ENDOPEPTIDASE

Examiner: Brian J. Davis

Group Art Unit: 1621

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

AMENDMENT & RESPONSE

This is in reply to the non-final Office Action mailed May 7, 2004 concerning the above-identified application. The term for response expires August 17, 2004. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner consider Applicants' Amendment and Response, as Applicants believe that the Application is in condition for allowance.